

O. M. MEN NOT TREATED RIGHT

Made Lieutenants and Left There; Pull Gets Others Over Them.

By JAMES A. HOLLOMAN.
Washington, D. C., April 17.—Here is a situation that is bringing a storm of protest to the war department, and a congressional investigation is even threatened.

In the first officers' training camps 2,000 men were commissioned as second lieutenants. Quartermaster's sergeants, without any special training, were promoted to the rank of lieutenant. Many of them, however, were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position. They were promoted to the rank of lieutenant, but they were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position. They were promoted to the rank of lieutenant, but they were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position.

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Still in Old Rank.
The army of second lieutenants was assigned to the various camps and commands. Many of them were actually assigned to duty, it is said, even including those who had been promoted to the rank of lieutenant, but they were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position.

See Others Get Best Jobs.
Time was on the reorganization of the department in Washington, called for thousands of men in the quartermaster's, ordnance, shipping, intelligence, engineering, and other bureaus. Men from civil life began to get these appointments, being commissioned as second lieutenants, and many of them were promoted to the rank of lieutenant, but they were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position.

Trained Men Overlooked.
And to this very hour the policy of promotion in the war department has been almost entirely based on the basis of seniority. Men who had been in the service for a long time, and who had been promoted to the rank of lieutenant, but they were not given the necessary training to perform the duties of the position.

America To Make Only Bombing Planes

Washington, D. C., April 17.—Although the United States after a year of war, is three or four months behind in the production of aircraft, the war department has decided to concentrate on the production of bombing planes. The construction of the fast scout planes, the destroyers of the air, will be left largely to French and British factories, which are prepared to make more quickly the necessary changes in specifications.

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This means a coordination of aircraft construction among the allies to enable each nation to produce the types for which the circumstances of war have rendered it necessary. America, fitted by her great industrial development to produce quantity production more readily than any other nation, will turn out bombing planes for all the allies. Hundreds of them, new buildings at Detroit and Buffalo, will this summer be flying over the interior of Germany, guided by French and British aviators, giving the German people a taste of the surface they have brought so ruthlessly to the world. Similarly, hundreds of scout machines turned out in France and England will be flying over the German trenches, in the hands of American flyers now training in this country.

In other words instead of trying to keep each allied nation an independent unit against Germany, the resources of all will be put in the way best calculated for the success of the common cause.

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Better Story At Home.
The fact that the cost of living in San Antonio is unusually high, coupled with the extremely crowded condition of the city with reference to the housing of visiting families, as compared to the other smaller cities of Texas and Oklahoma, has led the commanding general of the 10th division at Camp Travis to take steps to discourage families of enlisted men coming to San Antonio. Directly, the effort is being made to discourage families of enlisted men from coming to San Antonio.

Recruit From Target Range.
Recruit Francisco Madrid, formerly of El Paso and now a soldier in battery "B" 34th field artillery, has just returned from a week's training at the Target range at Camp Bullis, Tex. He is getting his first experience with regular routine work of a battery.

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Dr. Londen announced that he had been informed by the Anglo-American governments that Dutch ships entering British or American ports after April 19 would not be seized. He said he regarded the word of the Anglo-American powers as a sufficient guarantee.

More than 400 war dogs have been sent into the trenches by the association. They accompany the medical corps, and are trained to find and bring back the wounded. They are also trained to find and bring back the wounded. They are also trained to find and bring back the wounded.

War Scenes To Be Shown On Slides Sent to Schools By the Texas University

Austin, Tex., April 17.—In order that the war and the conditions existing on the foreign battlefields may be brought home to the rural communities and schools of Texas, the extension department of the university, through the division of information, is planning to circulate hundreds of stereographic scenes dealing with the war and its problems, over the state. The scenes are representative of the battle lines and the conditions of the opposing armies were in action.

The purpose of this movement is to spread war information into the rural communities. Sets of 15 slides each will go in regular circuits, each school keeping the set a week. These will supplement the lantern slides which are being distributed by the department. Each set will probably reach three or four thousand people in three months' time.

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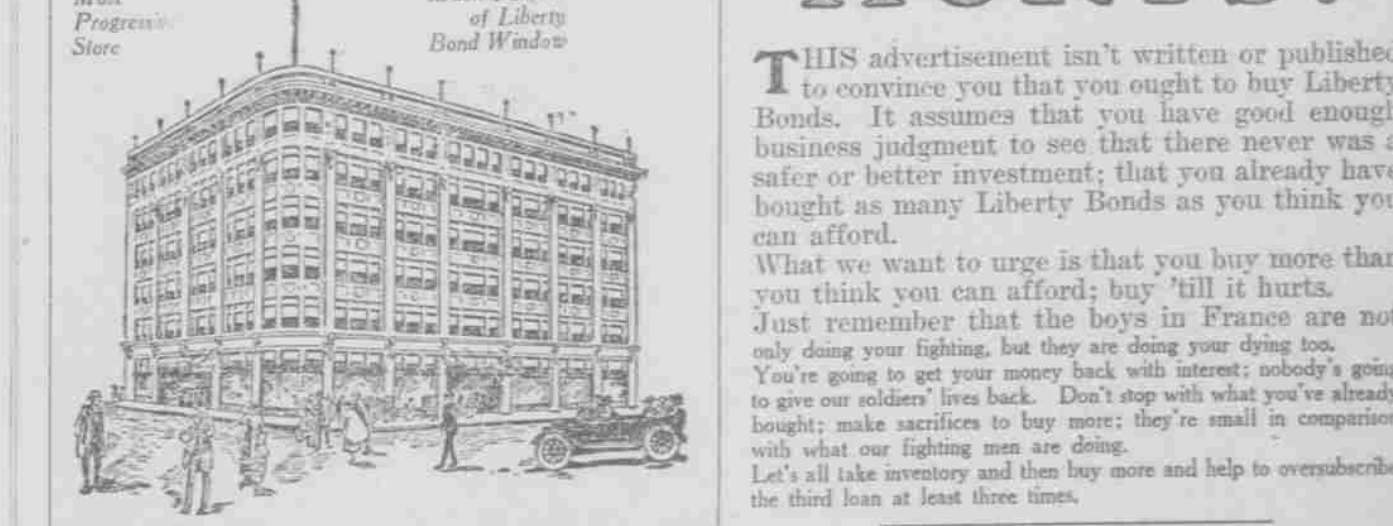
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